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A final farewell

Times Photo by Dana Estep
A huge American flag was flying over the intersection of College Avenue and Main Street last Friday as the funeral procession for Carl Wells, Sr. made its way to the Stanton Cemetery. Wells, a former coroner for 44 years and a friend to many in the community passed away last week.



Noise complaint leads to meth lab

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

Too much noise led a neighbor to call Powell County Dispatch to ask for help. That call led to Powell County Sheriff Danny Rogers finding a meth lab and making an arrest. The whole situation seemed a little bizarre to police.

The call came in at 11:15 p.m. last Monday night (Jan. 21) from a home on Tori Ann Court, just off Virden Ridge Road.

A caller stated that his neighbor was moving lumber around and making a lot of noise. The caller said he had asked Darrell Meadows to stop making the noise since he had to get up early to go to work.

Instead of a little quiet, Meadows allegedly threatened the life of the neighbor.

Rogers was dispatched to the call and upon arriving found two people in front of a building. Rogers recognized Meadows and began talking with him. "I told him why I was there and that we had received information a while back about a guy who may be staying with him (Meadows), so I asked him if the fellow was here," Rogers said. "He said no and I asked him what as in the build-

ing and he said stuff."

Rogers stated that he asked Meadows if he could take a look and Meadows said "yes." Meadows then unlocked the building's door.

That is when Rogers said he found the meth lab.

"When I walked in there were coffee filters on the floor and a hot plate with a large pan sitting on it," the sheriff said. "I saw a white substance in the pan and then I saw three plastic bottles with a white substance and liquid inside of them."

Rogers cleared the building and took Meadows into custody. He also had back up officers arrive to assist on the case. Stanton Police Lt. Arthur Lacy and Officer Donovan Crabtree, along with Clay City Police Sgt. James Kirk arrived.

A search warrant was obtained and officers found three one step labs and an HCL generator. They also found a green duffle bag or sports type bag that had other components in it for manufacturing methamphetamine.

Meadows, 41, of Clay City, was arrested and charged with manufacturing methamphetamine. He was lodged in the Powell County Detention Center.



Photos by PCSO

The photos above show what Powell County Sheriff Danny Rogers found at a home on Tori Ann Court last week. Rogers found bottles containing a white substance believed to be meth (top) and a sports type duffle bag that had supplies used in manufacturing meth. Other items were also found which led to an arrest.

"It's getting bad and we keep trying to stay on top of it," Rogers said. "But in this case he allowed me a chance to look in the building and there it

was. That don't usually happen."

This is the second meth lab found in the Clay City area in the past month.

Stanton woman accused of abusing an adult

Police say victim was beaten,
left in home with no food or heat

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

Police say that a woman entrusted to take care of another has betrayed that trust. So much so that she allegedly abused the woman she was caring for by hitting her, fed her dog food and placed her in a home that had no heat. Police also say that Ruby Richardson, 49, of Stanton, was taking the woman's food stamps, social security and disability checks at the same time.

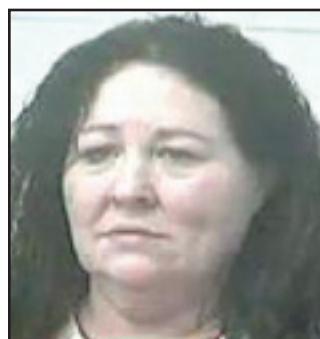
Powell County Chief Deputy Robert "Rog" Mathews said that the sheriff's office had received some information about the alleged adult abuse and began an immediate investigation early last week. Following some investigation and interviews of potential witnesses Mathews and a state adult social service worker went to a residence on Martin Street in Stanton.

"We knocked on the door but no one would answer. We got one of the owners of the residence permission to enter. It appeared she (the victim) was in there," Mathews said. "So I got the door opened and she was lying on the couch."

Mathews said that the residence had no heat and no food was in the house.

"You know how cold it has been and we believe she has been in this house for about two weeks," Mathews added. "She had about two or three sets of clothes on and two or three blankets on her."

Mathews and the state social services worker took the victim, who is not being identified at this time, to the court house to



Ruby Richardson

be interviewed.

"The last time I saw her about a year ago she weighed about 230 pounds and now she is about 100 or less," Mathews stated.

According to the warrant that was issued for Richardson, the victim told officers that she had been placed in that home and told not to answer the door for anyone or she would go to jail. The victim also told police that she had been beaten on several occasions for not "obeying commands" given by Richardson.

The most upsetting part of the interview happened when the victim told officers she did not know why she had been placed in the house on Martin Street and that Richardson had fed her dog food and table scraps. All of this despite Richardson allegedly taking the checks and food stamps for her for about a year.

Reports indicate that the victim appeared to be "low functioning" and was being taken care of by Richardson. The two allegedly met after Richardson reportedly dated one of the victim's family members according to police.

Mathews arrested Richardson last Wednesday and charged

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Powell man charged with assaulting a jail employee following arrest

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

A call last Thursday evening about an intoxicated man fighting with his family led to several emergency workers being threatened and a jail employee being assaulted. It also led to an eventful night for James A. Watkins.

Police were called to the Powell Village Apartments at 4:58 p.m. last Thursday after Watkins father wanted an ambulance to check out his son. When the ambulance crews arrived they encountered Watkins who was being combative and making threats.

Watkins, 25, of Stanton, reportedly told police that he had been drinking whiskey and that he had taken Xanax, Loritabs and Percocets. He also threatened to "kill" six Powell County EMS workers at the scene. He was placed

under arrest for public intoxication of a controlled substance and terroristic threatening third degree.

After arriving at the Powell County Detention Center Watkins behavior did not change. Police say that Watkins struck Powell County Deputy Jailer Lonnie McCall in the right eye with his fist. McCall was busy at the time putting information into a computer during the booking process.

Deputy Jailers Gerald Tharp and Dorvan Bush used pepper spray and a tazor to make Watkins comply with commands. No further injuries were reported.

Watkins was also charged with third degree assault on a corrections employee. He was arraigned last Friday and a not guilty plea was entered. He has been set for a preliminary hearing on Jan. 29 His bond has been set at \$10,000 cash.

Anything you can do . . .



Times Photo by James Cook

The Matriarchs, a ball handling and skills team for young girls, ages 4-12, performed at the Powell-Johnson Central girl's game on Monday night. There are more pictures on A10



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Council discusses ways to help sidewalks, street lights and tourism

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

The Clay City Council meeting last week was chock full of ideas and thoughts. Now the council hopes to put those into motion. Those ideas include a new telephone system for city offices, trying to get some street lights burning again and using the restaurant tax money to boost tourism.

The council agreed to pay \$3,000 to update their telephone system. The new system will be provided by SouthEast Telephone and will include telephones, wiring and rewiring where needed.

“These phones we have now are old and there are days they just don’t work,” Mayor Jimmy Caudill told the council. “We received the bids and SouthEast was reasonable so I recommend we go with them.”

The council voted 5-0 to accepting the bid. Council member Ralph Patrick was not present at the meeting.

The council then heard some concerns from Councilman Al Campbell about sidewalks and street lights. “Every night my wife and I take a walk and right along Main Street as you head up the hill toward the school there are some street lights out,” Campbell said. “Its pretty dark in that area and the sidewalks need some work as well. You can’t tell how wide they are or nothing. Plus there always seems to be water on them in that area. I’ve never seen water run uphill, but it seems to right there.”

“We have contacted Clark Energy about the lights and hopefully they can get on those soon,” Caudill responded. “As for the sidewalks, some of that in that area was

put in by the state when they repaired the bridge and sidewalk after the last flood. But I believe we could get around and see about maybe cleaning up the sidewalks, do some trimming and see what we have.”

Campbell asked if it was the city’s or the home owners responsibility to take care of the sidewalks. Caudill advised that the city had an ordinance stating that people were supposed to keep up the sidewalks in front of their homes or businesses. City attorney Scott Graham advised that the city may need to check and see if repairs are needed or maybe new sidewalks.

In them middle of this discussion the mayor brought up the fact that the city needed new trash receptacles and a snack machine in the Municipal Building’s Community Room. “We need to purchase at least two trash cans for the room and a snack machine,” Caudill advised. The council voted to purchase the trash cans and was going to look into possibly purchasing a snack machine from Greg Adams. The one the mayor presented to the council retailed for \$1,650, while Adams may have one for about \$400.

Caudill updated the council about the waste water project. The lines have been completed and the final work is being finished on preparing the sewer plant in Stanton to become the regional plant. Caudill believes the new plant should be open by late August.

The city’s park and recreation committee ask the council to allow restaurant tax money be used to help the Red River Historical Society with some up coming events. The restaurant tax revenue is earmarked to help with city parks and any tourism based project.

“Larry (Meadows) came to us and said that they would be hosting some events this year and would like our help so they could advertise and bring in tourists,” Diane Caudill, head of the committee, told the council. “They wanted \$3,000, which is less than what they asked for and even spent last year.”

Last year the group asked for \$5,000 according to Caudill and spent \$3,854.31. The events the historical society is planning for this year are an Early Frontier Festival set for April 6 as well as the Grist Mill and Engine Show on May 11 and May 12. The society also plans to have a genealogy workshop and book fair sometime in July or August, according to Caudill.

“They need the money for advertising for those events, se we need to help them quickly for the first event,” Duane Caudill told the council.

After a discussion about how the restaurant tax is to be used and the council’s willingness to assist the historical society, the council voted to ask for itemized statements so the city could then reimburse the group for up to \$1,000 for each of the first two events. The third event will be voted on at a later meeting as the dates are set.

In other action Mayor Caudill reported that Bill Rose had resigned his position as Clay City’s representative on the Powell County Industrial Board due to health reasons. Rose indicated in his letter that he wanted his wife, Jerlene Roe, to take his place.

“This is not an appointment I can make,” Caudill told the council. “The county judge makes that appointment.” No action was taken other than the mayor saying he would accept the resignation.



Times Photo by Kayla Mays
The snow and ice that hit the area last Friday caused a huge mess on Highway 15 in front of the Stonegate Cemetery. Several cars ended up in the ditch and the road was shut down for a while as salt crews tried to help. More snow is expected by the weekend.

KSP offers timely winter driving tips

With the onset of winter and the possibility that motorists may have to drive in inclement weather, the Kentucky State Police (KSP) are offering safe driving tips.

The weather in Kentucky is unpredictable and this time of year you never know when to expect black ice, snow, icy roads or a mixture of road conditions. KSP is asking motorists to prepare in advance for the winter driving months ahead. “Winter provides new challenges and responsibilities to the public and the Kentucky State Police,” says KSP Commissioner Rodney Brewer.

“We ask that drivers be prepared to meet the challenges of the upcoming winter season in Kentucky. Plan ahead, make sure everyone in the vehicle is properly restrained, drive defensively and be sure the vehicle is properly maintained to handle the effects of cold temperatures.”

KSP reported that slippery roads were the contributing factor in 14,913 crashes and 63 fatalities in 2011.

Here are a few simple

steps to help keep you on the road and less stressed.

- AVOID TRAVEL UNLESS NECESSARY WHEN WINTER WEATHER IS IN YOUR AREA.
- DECREASE SPEED.
- WEAR YOUR SEATBELT.

Driving Considerations

- Leave early – allow more travel time; expect delays.
- Increase distance between vehicles – it takes significantly longer to stop on snow covered or icy roadways.
- Clear all windows on your vehicle prior to travel – having unobstructed vision is vital to avoid running off of the road or having a collision.
- Illuminate your vehicles headlamps.
- Use caution on bridges and overpasses as they susceptible to freezing before roadways.
- Avoid using cruise control – cruise can cause the vehicle’s wheels to continue turning on a slippery surface when speed needs to be decreased.

Be Prepared

- Ensure your vehicle has a full tank of gas in the event you are stranded for an extended period of time.

ed for an extended period of time.

- Charge your cellular phone prior to departure.
- Take a blanket.
- Notify a family member or a friend of your travel plans prior to departure – if you travel is interrupted, someone will know.

Collision Information

- Be patient – weather also limits our capabilities and increases our response time; also, keep in mind that we will be experiencing a high volume of requests for service.
- Attempt to move your vehicle out of the roadway if you are involved in a minor, non-injury traffic collision; especially if you are in a dangerous area such as a curve or a blind hill.

- If your vehicle is stranded or wrecked but not in the roadway, attempts to recover your vehicle will have to wait until conditions improve for safety considerations.

To view KSP’s Winter Driving Tip Sheet, click here http://www.kentuckystatepolice.org/pdf/2012_Winter_Driving_Tips.pdf

ABUSE: State protection services called in to help

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her with knowingly abuse/neglect of an adult by a person and knowingly exploit adult by a person over \$300. Both charges are felonies.

Richardson was taken to the Montgomery County Regional Detention Center. Her bond was set at \$5,000 cash and she has already been released.

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Dr. Mohan Rath

Dr. Rezkella Butros and staff are happy to announce a new physician joining the practice. Dr. Mohan Rath will be replacing Dr. Mazen Dahbar and will start in July.


Rathi is board certified in internal medicine and is finishing training in kidney diseases from one of the best hospitals in New York. He will be treating all aspects of kidney problems, in addition to high blood pressure, diabetes and many other chronic and acute illnesses.

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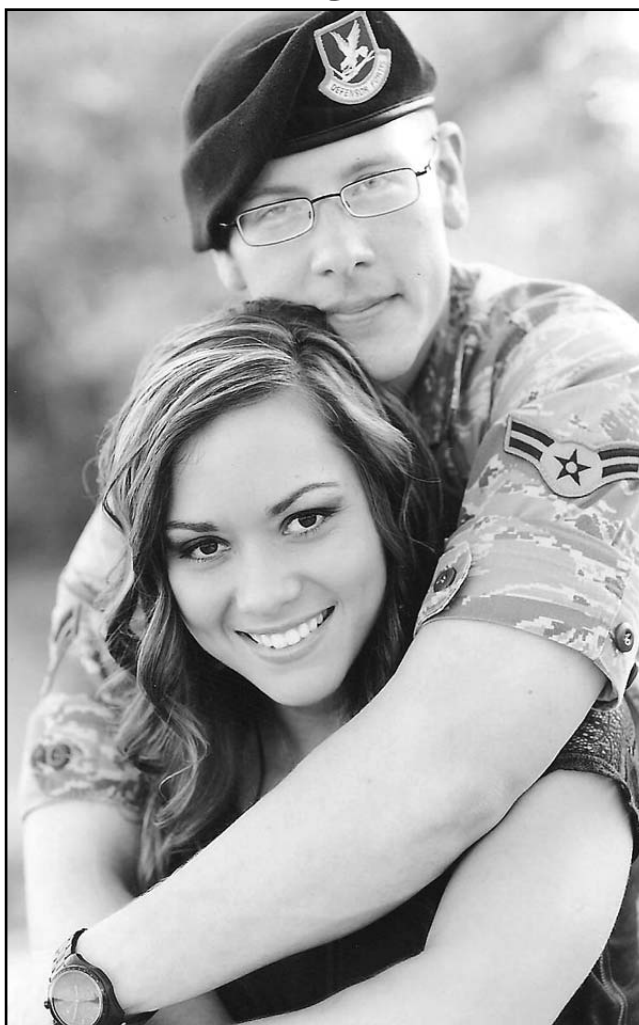
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Osborne-Sebey to exchange vows



Autumn Osborne, a pet stylist at Bark & Bath Dog Grooming in Stanton, is to be married to Matthew Sebey, an Airman First Class in the United States Air Force in Barksdale, Louisiana.

Ms. Osborne is the daughter of James Osborne and the late Connie Osborne of Stanton.

Mr. Sebey is the son of Scott and Karen Sebey of Stanton.

The couple will exchange vows at Shiloh Methodist Church on May 11, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. The reception will follow at Cliff View Resort.

All family and friends are invited to attend.

Collins named to Georgetown Dean's List

Corri G. Collins, of Stanton, has been named to the Dean's List for the 2012 Fall Semester at Georgetown College. Her parents are Stephen Collins and Melissa Collins of Stanton.

The Dean's List honors undergraduate students who completed the semester with at least 12 credit hours and a 3.7 GPA, according to Rosemary Allen, Ph.D., Georgetown College's Provost and Academic Dean.

Got some good news?

Let the community know on the Social page!

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Happy Birthday Eli

Eli Dakota King celebrated his 5th birthday January 20, 2013 with a Batman theme.

Eli wanted to thank everyone for coming to his party and for all of the great gifts he received. He turned 5 on Jan. 22.

Eli is the son of Carmen Crabtree and Colten King.



Powell's retired teachers honor essay winner

The Powell County Retired Teachers met Friday, Jan. 11 at the Clay City Restaurant at noon. After enjoying food and fellowship, President Nellie Anderson presided over the meeting.

Our guest speaker was Adrian McClung, a fifth grade student from Bowen Elementary. Every year in January, every student in the fifth grade in Powell County is asked to write an essay, "Why My Grandmother Should Be Grandmother of the Year."

Adrian was this year's winner in our county. He read to us the most interesting essay. His essay will now be compared to other winners in our district, which will then be voted on as to who won in our district.

Good luck, Adrian! This contest is sponsored by the state retired teachers. Adrian's teacher is Candace Anderson.

Darryl Abner presented the treasurer's report. Karen Gilbert reported 100% membership. We lost a teacher, Mrs. Aubrey Moore, who passed away in December.

Retired teachers present were: Mary Lou Potts, Janice Pelfrey, Margarita Arnett, Mary Back, Dee Robbins, Billy Rose, Karen and Cebert Gilbert, Kay Epperson, Ovie Hollon, Linda and Darryl Abner, Taffie Bellamy, Beverly Baker, Nellie Anderson, and Jean Derickson. Guests were Josie Hollon, Jerlene Rose, Dwayne Anderson, Adrian McClung, and Candace and Josie Anderson.

Our next meeting will be Feb. 8, meeting place to be announced. Teachers are asked to bring donations for the Adult Day Center. Please try to attend.

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I'm just saying . . .

Take a break, but don't give up



JAMES COOK
Times Editor

For the past couple of months you may have noticed that I have not written as many columns as I usually do. Some may chalk that up to me being too lazy to write one. Others may believe that I have given it up for whatever reason. While others may figure that I have gotten so busy it is hard to get a column together each week.

I guess it depends on your perspective, your opinions and your own beliefs. In truth I guess it is a little bit of all three.

I do stay quite busy, that is what a small town newspaper editor does. From sports stories to court news, to trying to find feature stories and cover meetings - it can be quite hectic.

So after awhile one decides to take a break. Let your column go one week, take a break. That break becomes two weeks and before long you just don't want to write anything. After all, just about everything else in the paper has come from your keyboard.

We do this in life as well.

Sometimes we allow ourselves to get so busy

we can't seem to keep up. After a while we just want to take a break from it all. Then we don't want to jump back into the fray when the time comes.

Politicians, salesmen and others who want us just to submit expect us to do this. That pattern of behavior gives those in control more of it. They depend on the belief that once we get too tired or get too relaxed we will just give in.

But that is when we have to get back into the game the most.

The old Devil likes to use that strategy as well. But we know that he doesn't like messing with those who fight on for God. So he goes after the ones who don't. Easy prey.

Be it an issue that needs our attention here in our community or even one that has eternal implications personally, we need to see things as they are.

Sure we need a break from time to time, but that does not mean give up. It may be easier sometimes to do just that, but we have to keep moving forward.

I may have taken a little break and I am slowly getting back on track. I do that because I believe we have a community worth fighting for. We have neighbors that need our help. Doubt that, check out the front page and see how people standing up and speaking out can make a difference.

If you get tired, maybe I can stand up for you for a

while until you are ready to get back into it again. If we all looked out for our neighbors and stood up for each other, imagine how much different this community would be. Who knows maybe less crime, less thefts, less abuse, fewer problems and a happier place to call home.

Do we take all things into our hands? No, we have the law and officers to handle the hard things. A call to them when you believe something is "not right" could actually save someone some grief, if not their life.

But would it hurt to do little things like watching a neighbor's house to make sure no one is messing around with it. Or how about knocking on a neighbor's door you haven't seen in a day or two to make sure they are OK?

We all get tired. We all get to the point that we feel we can't go on or no one really cares if we do. If you need to take a break. Then jump back in and let's make sure this county is one that is known for taking care of each other and being alert to issues we need to be concerned with.

When you don't think you can do it, you may just be surprised how much you can do when you know you're doing that's right and others are here for you. Regardless, never give up!

I'm just saying . . .



Estill County native J.D. Crowe is an editorial cartoonist with the Mobile, Alabama, Register.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reader says 'thanks'

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

I want to thank the EMS for always getting me to Clark Regional. Special thanks also to Mike and Dana Estep, Nina Everman, Joyce Keating, Sandy Spears, and family, Ruthie and Tony Kellogg, David and Jamie Jacobs, and Kyle Stegman.

Sincerely,
Wendy Stegman
Stanton

Guest Column: Some suggestions for improving Congress

By **LEE HAMILTON**
Guest Columnist

A few weeks ago, the survey firm Public Policy Polling made headlines when it released a poll comparing Congress's standing to a variety of unloved things. Respondents did prefer our national legislature to the ebola virus, but otherwise the news was grim: Americans, the survey suggested, have a lower opinion of Congress than of head lice, Genghis Khan, used-car salesmen, and root canals.

I'll admit it: I chuckled, though I don't really agree. Having experienced both, I put Congress well ahead of root canals.

Still, in the years since I left Capitol Hill my frustration with the institution I admired and loved has grown; watching it now is painful. Congress has shown a dispiriting unwillingness to reckon with tax reform, rein in the deficit, find ways to spur economic growth or make any of the other tough decisions that face it. When it does make a decision, it tends to limit its reach — thus, over and over, avoiding the real issues.

Its constant partisanship, lack of urgency in the face of looming fiscal threats, posturing and finger-pointing even at moments when the national interest clearly demands a resolution — all these have made it appear uninterested in actually governing.

Yet people do not run for Congress so they can become unpopular. They don't go to Washington because they want to accomplish nothing. They don't take the oath of office, surrounded by reminders of the distinguished men and women who came before them, just to disavow Congress's rich history of accomplishment.

Rather, they get caught in a destructive cycle whose dynamics are often shaped by political forces out of their control — by the demands of party

loyalty or the arm-twisting of caucus leaders, by the threats and blandishments of special interests or the fear of well-funded opposition in the next primary. The challenge facing members of Congress is to rise above all this, to find a way to reassert the values and aspirations that first brought them to national office.

How can they do this? I'm convinced that it comes down to attitude.

To begin, they have to put the country first. Not their party or their re-election or their political ambitions, but the nation's best interest. The surest way I know to earn the respect of voters is to put responsible governance first.

In part, this means acting with the future in mind. Thomas Jefferson in his first inaugural address looked toward "our descendants to the thousandth and the thousandth generation." That may be a longer time-frame than is politically realistic, but at the moment I'd even settle for just the thousandth and the thousandth day, which is more far-sighted than most members' obsession with the next election. Americans care about their country's future, and they want their representatives to do so, too.

This means that members of Congress need to accept responsibility for resolving the nation's challenges, whether they're in the majority or in the minority. Our country simply cannot survive the current reluctance to meet our problems head on or Capitol Hill's tolerance for the sort of brinksmanship that leaves the nation on tenterhooks and difficult issues put off for another day.

Members have a responsibility to make the government work, and they need to square their shoulders and step up to it: to make decisions, to vote on the issues that need addressing — rather than on legislation designed to give them political cover or to pander to deep-pocketed interests — and to move

the country forward.

To do this, they will have to work out their differences — through skillful negotiation, patience, understanding, accommodation, and compromise. Being a member does not mean treating adversaries as enemies to be defeated and humiliated; they are colleagues with whom one must cooperate on the larger goal of searching for a remedy to the challenges that beset the country. Focusing on the facts — rather than on scoring ideological points — and working together to build consensus based on those facts is the only way our

representatives will be able to take on the responsibilities Americans expect of them.

That is what Americans are looking for. And that is what Congress needs to deliver if it wants to be more popular than root canals.

Lee Hamilton is Director of the Center on Congress at Indiana University. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

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a destination. It is a

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-Burton Hills

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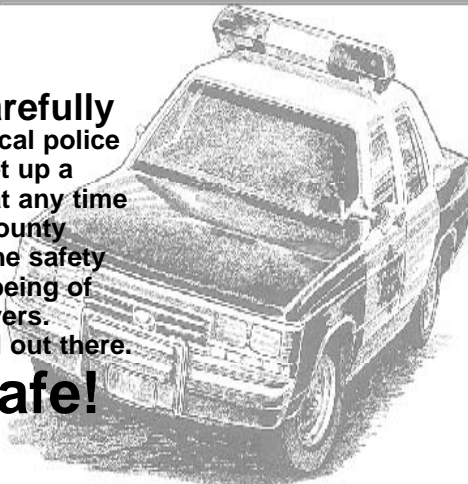
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Foothills Health and Wellness Center encourages women to be screened for cervical cancer

January has been designated as Cervical Health Awareness Month. About 20 million Americans currently have HPV (human papillomavirus), the most common sexually transmitted disease. HPV is a major cause of cervical cancer.

Foothills' Health and Wellness Center and the Powell County Health Department want you to know that there's a lot you can do to prevent cervical cancer.

The good news?

HPV can be prevented by the HPV vaccine. Also, cervical cancer can often be prevented with regular screening tests (called Pap tests) and follow-up care.

In honor of National Cervical Health Awareness Month, Foothills' Health and Wellness Center and the Powell County Health Department encourage women to start getting regular Pap tests at age 21. The two organizations are in partnership this year to increase the number of women in Powell County that have been screened for cervical cancer. Foothills' Health and Wellness now offers Pap smear tests, breast exams and limited family planning services to eligible women ages 21-64.

To be eligible for the clinic, women must meet one of the following requirements:

- Does not have permanent housing
- Living with family or friends
- Living in substandard housing- such as no running water, unsafe heat source (kerosene or wood stove), etc.
- Rent/Utilities are more than 50 percent of monthly income
- Living in transitional housing

Anyone who meets the above requirement must also have an annual household income below 200 percent of the federal poverty level. Patients who are uninsured may qualify for a discount based on the sliding fee scale.

Each year, approximately 12,000 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer in the United States. Make sure you and women in your life are screened regularly with a Pap and HPV test.

For more information, please call Foothills' Health and Wellness Center at (606) 663-9011.

Broadband network for Eastern KY completed; will benefit Powell and surrounding counties

The Breathitt, Estill, Lee, and Powell Regional Technology Authority (RTA) and ALTIUS Broadband announced today that the project known as BELP has been completed. The project consisted of deploying a wireless broadband network in four underserved eastern Kentucky counties.

"The BELP committee was proud to partner with ALTIUS Broadband to bring broadband service to the rural residents of Breathitt, Estill, Lee, and Powell counties," said Joe Crawford, RTA chairman. "Having a signed construction contract with ALTIUS proved to be the most significant step for the project, but we continued to be vigilant in our quest to get the best broadband service possible with the limited funds available."

This broadband expansion project was funded by "Coal Money" the state had received as a settlement from mining companies who had been charged with pollution. "Coal to Broadband: Making the Transition, Making the Connection," began in November 2009. In the spring 2010, the RTA and Connect

Kentucky, as a technical advisor, solicited request for proposals to help build a broadband network in the rural areas of Breathitt, Estill, Lee and Powell counties.

After a review of the work plans and contract terms discussions, the RTA signed an agreement with ALTIUS for the construction of the broadband network in September of 2011. The contract allowed for the construction phase of the project to begin. Preliminary work, like securing access to water tank and tower locations for equipment installation, and contracting for an Internet backhaul connection had begun several months prior.

"As we predicted, The BELP project was a major milestone for a fixed wireless microwave network in this country," said Jim Connor, president of ALTIUS Broadband. "Our partnership with BELP and Connect Kentucky will serve as a model for communities throughout the United States on expanding broadband services in some of the most remote areas to ensure their connectivity and bridge the digital divide. Without

this type of partnership these projects would be impossible and the thousands of people that live in these areas would be left at huge competitive disadvantage."

"Connect Kentucky is excited that the construction phase of the Connect Belp project has been completed," said Rene True, executive director of Connect Kentucky. "The citizens of the four counties will now be able to take advantage of all the things most take for granted by having a high speed connection at their home or small business. The RTA volunteer board is to be commended for making an extra effort to contract with the broadband provider that can deliver the best broadband network within the project budget."

To learn more about the project, visit www.connectbelp.org.

The stars come out for Lady Pirates basketball

Times Photos by James Cook

It is never a dull moment at a Powell County basketball game. Occasionally a "celebrity" shows up at the gym.

During last week's Lady Pirates vs. Estill game Jake Blues (Jacob Johnson) was on hand to swing and sway with the rhythm of the PCHS Pep Band.

Not to be out done, during Saturday's game between the Lady Pirates and Jackson City Slash (Daniel Pelfrey) from Guns n' Roses sat in for a little jam session with the band.



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OBITUARIES

Mary Carver, 84

Mary Elizabeth Rogers Hatton Carver, 84, of 122 Halls Road, Stanton, passed away on Saturday, Jan. 26, 2013. She was born Oct. 5, 1928 in Powell County to the late Albert and Emma Francis Meadows Rogers. She retired from Stanton Elementary. She attended Hatcher's Creek Church of God.

Survivors include her husband, Donald Carver; daughters, Janice (Charles) Johnson, Beatyville, Leona (Hershel) Strange, and Joyce (Larry) Barnett, both of Stanton; daughter-in-law, Phyllis Hatton Lilly, Miamisburg, OH; grandchildren James Back, Beatyville, Dustin (Jessica) Barnett, Ryan (Tammy) Barnett, Tony (Billie) Johnson, all of Stanton, Jason (Karie)Hatton, Carlisle, OH, David (Lori) Back, Phoenix, AZ, Sheri (Derick) King, Miamisburg, OH; seven great grandchildren; sisters, Wanda Caudill, Hamilton, OH, Josephing (Donald) Lawson, Patsy (JB Crain), Darlene Bailey, all of Stanton, and brother Robert (Pat) Rogers of Stanton.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband, Rodney Hatton, three sons, Floyd, Larry, and Morgan Hatton; five brothers, Prince, Raymond, Everet, Preston, and Elmer Rogers, two sisters, Gladys Barker and Opal Rogers, and one son-in-law, James Back.

Services were held on Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2013 with Burial in Hatton Creek Cemetery. www.ddfh.net



Julian "Ike" Rice, 76

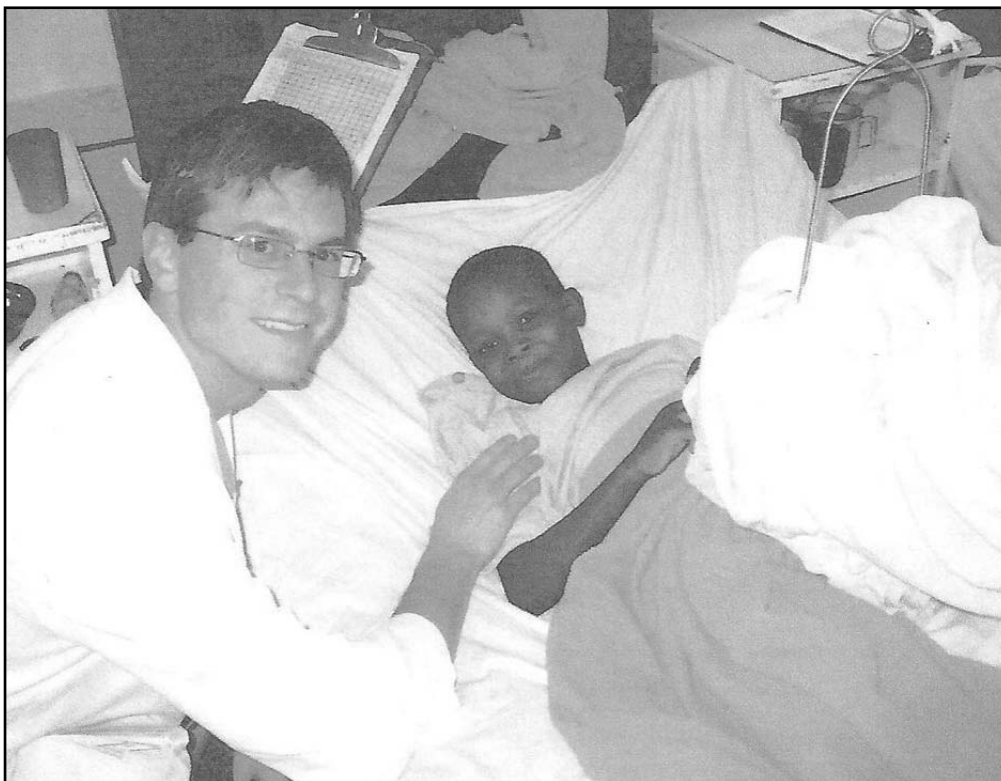
Julian "Ike" Rice, 76, widower of Joy Puckett Rice, of 7th Avenue, Clay City, passed away on Friday, Jan. 25, 2013 at his residence. Born in Clark County, he was the son of the late Robert P. and Mable Roundtree Rice. Ike was a U S Army veteran, a former construction worker with Hinkle Contracting Corp. and he was a farmer. He attended the West Bend Church of God and he was a member of Clay City Lions Club and a Kentucky Colonel.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert P. and Mable Roundtree Rice; his wife, Joy Carolyn Puckett Rice; his brother, Charles P. Rice and by his sister, Thelma Frances Fallen.

He is survived by three brothers: Donald Richard and his wife Frances Rice, Kenneth Young and his wife Carolyn Rice and Danny Ray Rice all of Clay City; five sisters: Odetta Adams, Janice Gayle and her husband Lonnie Stewart and Doris and her husband Earl Gilbert all of Clay City, and Sharon and her husband Morris Gilbert and Mary Johnson all of Stanton; three grandchildren: Dr. Brad and his wife Dr. Deanna Morris, Dr. Brent and his wife Corrie Morris and Casey and her husband Zack Unger and one great grandson, Nicholas Bradley Morris.

Funeral services officiated by Dr. Brent Morris, Bro. Ray Wyant and Bro. Anthony Molihan were held on Monday, Jan. 28, 2013 at Hearne Funeral Home Inc., Stanton. Burial with military honors will be in Stonegate Cemetery, Stanton.

Pallbearers were Robert Rice, Kenny Rice, Chad Rice, Scott Meadows, Cory Meadows and Greg Adams. Arrangements by Hearne Funeral Home, Inc. www.hearnefuneralhome.com



Brent and Corrie Morris to share mission trip experience

Corrie Morris, FNP and Brent Morris, M.D., will be sharing their experience following a four week medical mission trip to Kenya.

Corrie is a Cardiac Nurse Practitioner and spent time in the neonatal intensive care unit, newborn nursery and at outreach public health clinics. Brent is an orthopaedic surgeon and performed over 40 surgeries during the trip.

Come hear about how God is working in Bomet, Kenya through long-term medical mission families at Tenwek Hospital.

The couple will be speaking at the Clay City Baptist Church on Sunday, Feb. 3 at the 11 a.m. service. Everyone is invited to attend.

PCHD food handling classes are set

The following is a list of upcoming food handler classes: Feb. 12, March 12, April 9, and May 14.

All classes are on Tuesday, will begin at 1 p.m. and all classes will take place at the Powell County extension office at 169 Maple Street, Stanton.

You can place a "Thank You" or "In Memory" for a loved one or your family on this page. Call 663-5540 to find out how.

CHURCH NEWS

New Church opens their doors

Never Ending Grace Community Church, located at 29 Howell Lane in Clay City is now open and welcoming everyone. Stephen Donithan is the pastor. Sunday School is 10 a.m., Worship Service is at 11 a.m. and Wednesday Evening Bible Study is at 7 p.m.

Sunday Night Unplugged

Stanton Christian Church invites you to Sunday Night Unplugged. It is a come-as-you-are, contemporary music worship hour with some preaching. It begins at 6 p.m. Come be a part of it.

Prayer Task Force Schedule

The Powell County Christians United Against Drugs (PCCUAD) Prayer Task Force will meet at the Stanton Presbyterian Church located next door

to the Powell County Health Department on Main Street. This meeting is for all Christians to come and pray together. We name our prayer con-

cerns, pray and leave. Do you have one hour for God? You will be blessed, everyone welcome! The prayer service starts at 9 a.m.



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Dear Travis,
I'm writing to wish you "Happy Birthday". Seem's like it was only yesterday when your mother and I brought you home from the hospital. I can't believe that was 30 years ago. There hasn't been any major changes around here since we last

spoke. The country is still at war and Obama was re-elected as President. Whitney began her final year of college and send's her love. Cocoa got to frolic in the snow the other day. Wish you could have seen him. Your mom got to spend some time with Landon during Christmas while on her way to work and sends her love as well. We all love you and miss you terribly.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Whitney & Cocoa



Jan. 26, 1983

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Football Booster Elections

The Powell County Football Boosters officer elections will be held on Jan. 31 at the PCHS Library at 6:30 p.m.

Gladiators Showcase

The Powell County Gladiators will be sponsoring a community showcase on Sunday, Feb. 3 at the Powell County High School Gymnasium. There will be 11 groups performing between 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.. Some of those performing are: The Matriarch’s, Jessica Begley-Hall and the X Team. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students. There will also be different groups from the community setting up tables to sell various items like face painting, cotton candy, jewelry, etc. Tables are also available to rent for \$10. For more information please contact Erica Price or Athea Watkins at PCHS. Call 606-663-3320.

Free Weight Loss Program

The Powell County Extension Office and Foothills Health and Wellness Center will be offering a free weight loss program on Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m. Classes will meet for 10 weeks at the Powell County Extension Office. Participants will weigh in each week and be eligible for prizes at the end of the program. Recipes and food sampling will also be available each week. For more information, please contact Pam Dooley at 663-6405 or Stacy Crase at 663-9011.

Red River Bow Hunters

The Red River Bow Hunters will be shooting indoors on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m. For more information call 606-481-0959.

Adult Education Hours

MSU-Powell County Adult Education New Hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday by appointment. Call 606-663-1948. The GED exam cost \$60.

Cruising Car Club Meeting

Twin City Kruzerz Car Club will be holding their monthly meeting the first Monday of each month at Irvine City Hall. If the meeting falls on a holiday it will be the following Monday. All members and anyone wishing to join the club are welcome. If you have any questions please call Loyd Flynn at 723-6776, or Jack Chaney at 723-4045.

Genealogy Help Desk

The Red River Historical Society and Museum located at 4541 Main Street in Clay City has opened a Genealogy Help Desk. It will be staffed by members of the historical society and members of the Red River Valley Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). If you are researching your Eastern Kentucky roots we hope we can be of some help to you. The hours are 2 to 5 p.m. each Sunday at the museum.

Powell County Diabetes Support Group

Kentucky River Foothills Rural Health Network is sponsoring a Diabetes Support Class. Classes will meet every second Thursday of the month. Classes meet at the Powell Adult Day Care (behind Foothills Mobile Clinic) in Clay City from 4-5 p.m. For more info, please call Tena at 663-9011

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

AmVets Meeting

AmVets Post 67, Clay City, monthly meeting, the first Sunday every month at 2 p.m. Bingo every Monday at 6:30 p.m.

The Powell County Library

Story Time at the Powell County Public Library is every Thursday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. for ages 3 to 5 years. We will read stories, do crafts and sometimes a movie. Powell County Public Library Board Meeting will be held on the third Monday of the month at 4 p.m. in the library.

Disabled American Veteran Meeting

The Monthly Meeting of the Powell County Disabled American Veterans Powell County Chapter # 103 is held on the second Thursday each month at 30 Bright Street Stanton at 6 p.m. For information call Joe Neal 663-5895.

Powell County Tourism Commission

The regular board meetings are held every fourth Wednesday at 1 pm. The meetings are held at the Powell County Extension Office. For more information call 606-481-9740

Veterans Benefits

A Veterans Benefits Field Representative with the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs will be at the Powell County Courthouse, Stanton on the first Thursday of each month from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Veterans and their families will be given counseling in filing for Federal and State Veterans benefits. This service is provided free of any charge or fee by the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Veterans Affairs. Call and leave a message at 1-866-376-0308, leave a message, your call will be returned. Bring all documents pertaining to filing a claim.

Stanton Parks and Recreation Board

The Stanton Parks and Recreation Board will hold their regular monthly meeting on the first Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. The meetings will be held at the city building in the Senior Citizens building located at the city park.

Friends of PC Pets Meetings

Friends of Powell County’s Pets hold their monthly meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the Powell County Public Library. If you have any questions or you would like to volunteer or foster, please stop by.

Brianna's Sanctuary Meetings

Brianna’s Sanctuary & Rescue monthly meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on the second Friday of each month, at the Powell County Public Library. If you would like to volunteer or find out the requirements for fostering, come by and join us. For questions call (606) 663-2353 or (859) 576-4846.



Working together . . .

Times Photo by Kayla Mays

The Powell County 4-H and Powell County High School Future Farmers of America Chapter met with Powell County Clerk Rhonda Allen Barnett and Kentucky State Agriculture Commissioner James Comer at Tanner Dodge Chrsyler Jeep to show how well their partnership has worked. When ever anyone purchases a farm tag in the county, a portion of that money comes back to aid both the FFA and the 4-H. Commissioner Comer has been a staunch supporter of the program and the PCHS FFA and Powell County 4-H encourages everyone who can to join in and help both organizations.

INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW

- **Powell Fiscal Court meets at the Powell County Courthouse on the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.**
- **Stanton City Council meets on the second Thursday of the month in the Powell District Court Room, located in the Powell County Courthouse. The meeting starts at 6:30 p.m.**
- **Clay City Council meets on the third Monday of each month at the Municipal Building/Council Chambers. The meeting begins at 7 p.m.**
- **The Powell County School Board meets on the second Monday of the month at the PCHS Cafeteria, unless otherwise posted. The meeting begins at 6 p.m.**

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PCMS Students of the Week

The Powell County Middle School is proud to present their Students of the Week. This week they are: DaShaun Williams (top left) from the sixth grade; Lucas Faulkner; (top right) from the seventh grade and Hannah Tatman (left) from the eighth grade. Student of the Week recipients are chosen based on academics, behavior, and positive character. Congratulations to this week's PCMS Students of the Week!

PCHS Student of the Week



Dakota Powell


Dakota Powell is this week's PTO Student of the Week at Powell County High School. He is the son of Billy and Larcena Powell of Clay City.

Dakota is a senior, and he is the president of Upper Room and a member of the Science and Ecology Club. His favorite class is Vincent Scott's construction class, not only because of the things he has learned, but also because of the friends he has made. Dakota has helped Mr. Scott complete many projects over the last four years. Among those include pouring concrete for bleachers at the softball field, building a storage facility for the football team, framing a garage in Stanton, and building large props and decorations for events like the Reading Celebration and Junior-Senior Prom. Dakota was nominated for PTO Student of the Week by Mr. Scott.

Helping teachers with their work is one of the things Dakota enjoys most about going to PCHS. A few times he has filled in for Ronnie Cooper to assist students in computer aided drafting when Mr. Cooper had to leave for meetings. He has also been an invaluable student and student worker in Eddie Coleman's English class and Tim Jones's Spanish class.

Dakota's future plans include joining the Navy, and attending Morehead State University to study electrical engineering.

Student of the Week is a program sponsored by the PTO and recognizes students who are role models in the areas of study, effort, cooperation, and attitude.



FFA News

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FORMER POWELL FFA OFFICERS

The Powell County FFA chapter was signed and approved on March 16, 1936, by state president Gentry Lee. The officers recovered a lost document while cleaning out an office in the school.

We are proud to recognize all past officer teams that have served our chapter. We have created a wall of recognition in our classroom, completely dedicated to recognizing all teams that have once been part of our chapter.

If you were, or know anyone that was, part of an officer team in Powell County, please bring us a picture of your team and a list of their names. We would be honored to place you on our wall of traditions.

Thank you. Call Powell County High School 606-663-3320

PLEASE RETURN FFA JACKETS

Our FFA chapter is in desperate need of our past belongings. If you have any of our movies, jackets, handouts or anything used for judging, please return it to the high school. We would appreciate the help very much, thank you.

FFA Reporter, Holly Reed

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Powell County School Calendar	
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Mar. 19	5th Six Weeks Ends



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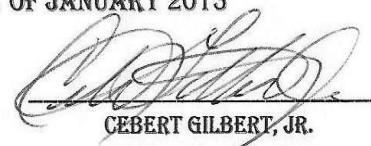
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Ground Hog Day is this Saturday



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Agent

I certainly will be glad when January is over. Only 50 more days until spring! And only about 20 more days until this diet is over. I really need intervention now. I need encouragement! These scales must be all wrong.....I seem to be stuck on five pounds and want to just throw it all to the wind. I feel like I have starved myself to death, but I know in my heart I have never gone to bed hungry. Not eating much during the day is no problem for me. I just leave it alone. I have not been to a fast food restaurant during the day in over a month now, but boy when I get home, I want to eat everything in sight!

In talking to others, it seems just the very mention of the word diet, our brains kick in and we want food more than ever. We crave the things we should not eat, like that doughnut for breakfast, or that big bowl of potato soup with cheese and bacon crumbled up on top.

This Thursday at 4:30 p.m. we will talk about "portion size" at our big hunk meeting. There probably will be lots of

sobbing during this meeting when I tell the guys that the new York strip steak they ate last weekend is actually three portions, (not one) and each portion (about the size of a deck of cards) is actually around 240 calories each. 240 x 3=720, which does not count the baked potato/butter they had with their meal at 300 and a side salad at 150 calories. Their diet meal just blew the bank at 1170 calories. Heaven forbid if they ate the roll with butter or had a handful of peanuts before their meal.

I'm learning fast that this weight loss business will take a lot more time than six to eight weeks for me. It has to be a change for the long haul.

Last Call for Master Cattlemen Classes

Due to decreased funding from the Kentucky Ag Development fund, this will probably be the last call for the Master Cattlemen Classes for our County. The Master Cattlemen Classes are 10 in-depth programs on such topics of interest to beef cattle producers like feeds and nutrition; reproduction; forage management and marketing, to name a few. These classes all will be held in conjunction with Bath, Montgomery, Nicholas and Menifee County farmers who have not received this training before. All meetings will last approximately 2.5 hours each and will be held at the Montgomery County Extension Office

Conference Room. If you are a beef producer, or plan to become a beef producer in the future, this might be a great program to be involved in. Classes begin on March 7. For more details, contact me at 663-6405 to enroll. This class is limited to the first 40 persons who enroll.

Livestock Producers Association to meet

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Powell County Livestock Producers Association will be this Thursday, Jan. 31 at 6:30 p.m. at the Powell County Extension Office. Our speaker for this month's meeting will be Mr. Tony Edwards from the National Weather Service in Jackson, Kentucky. Mr. Edwards will present a program on last year's storms, drought and other Kentucky weather news makers as well as give us a forecast or prediction for the rest of this winter's weather.

Meal cost for the meeting will be \$3 per person and dues are also due for the 2013 calendar year. Dues are \$10 per family or \$5 per individual. Please call the Extension Office at 663-6405 by noon on Thursday to confirm your meal. All local residents are welcomed to this meeting and encouraged to participate in the Livestock Association, here in Powell County.

Cheap Prices for spring fruit/vegetable Plants

Powell County Extension Office along

with several other Extension Offices in the Eastern Kentucky area is making a joint plant order for local gardeners and producers. Through this large group order we will be able to offer producers extremely reasonable prices on many fruit plants you might already be looking for in your garden catalogs. Plant orders are due by February 15. Orders can now be placed at the Powell County Extension Office for the following plants:

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Blueberries-Blue Crop and Patriot varieties-you will need at least one of each for proper pollination) \$6.00 per plant.

Asparagus-Jersey Knight variety \$1.00 per plant.

Again, all plant orders must be placed by February 15. Call Mike at 663-6405 for details. Plants are scheduled for delivery on April 4.

Ground Hog Day is this weekend

If the result of this diet does not improve by this weekend, I may just have to eat one for Ground Hog Day.

While certainly not the most celebrated day of the year for sure, Ground hog day to me is just about the turning point of the winter.

For some reason or the other it seems we have about six more weeks of winter weather, whether the old ground hog sees his shadow Wednesday or not. Ground Hog Day goes back many years to the mid 1800's in the country of Germany. The original legend in Germany actually refers to a badger or bear coming out of hibernation just long enough to see his shadow on that famous day of February 2. If he sees his shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter weather. If it is cloudy and there is no shadow, then the bad weather is just about over and we can start planting peas.

My calendar tells me that the first day of Spring this year is Wednesday, March 20. For some reason I don't think the ground hog has much to do with accurate weather forecasting. It's funny though that even in the days of high technology, Doppler weather radar and satellites high in the sky, the weather is still something that man simply cannot change, or even in many cases, predict accurately. Come to think of it, maybe ground hogs are as good at predicting the weather as weather satellites and fancy computers.

Regardless of their weather forecasting ability, ground hogs are widely known for one reason or the other in our state. In pioneer days, a fat ground hog was sought after for many reasons. The

ground hog was considered a great delicacy for the dinner table. Families also utilized ground hog fat to mix with turpentine and made the world's greatest tonic for croup and coughs. Even medical science has acknowledged that ground hog fat is more readily absorbed by the body than many medicines.

Also in pioneer times, ground hogs were prized for their hide. Many children in settlement days were thrilled to wear a pair of shoes made of ground hog hide. It was also used for clothing, shoe strings, door hinges and shot pouches.

Groundhogsarethought of in a different way in today's rural culture. Ground hogs are basically cursed by farmers and gardeners for undermining barns, ravaging gardens and mounding up hills in hay fields that can make mowing and baling inconvenient and in some cases, dangerous. Recently the increasing population of coyotes has led to the decrease in population of ground hogs in our area of the state. One of the few positive points for coyotes, I suppose.

Regardless of how you feel toward these critters, I hope you have a great Ground Hog Day. Most of us survived January with its cold dreary weather and now we'll use any reason we can to celebrate! Let's eat!!!



PCMS Students of the Week

The Powell County Middle School is proud to present their Students of the Week. This week they are: Leslie Stewart (left) from the sixth grade; McKayla Rucker (top center from the seventh grade and Mikey Lindonn (right) from the eighth grade.

Student of the Week recipients are chosen based on academics, behavior, and positive character.

Congratulations to this week's PCMS Students of the Week!

(Due to schools being closed one day for the flu and one day for weather, we have two PCMS Students of the Weeks displays this week so we can get caught up. Congratulations to all of them for all their hard work!)

SENIOR CITIZENS ARE YOU AWARE?

The Homestead Exemption is for all homeowners who will be 65 or over anytime during the current tax year, who live in their home and claim it as their primary residence. You must apply in person to the PVA and bring in proof of age. The property must be in homeowners name as of January 1, 2013. The total exemption allowed is \$36,000.

Dustin Billings
Property Valuation Administrator
524 Washington Street, Stanton, KY 40380
606-663-4184

GOVERNMENT FORECLOSURE SALE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2013 AT 10:00 A.M.
AT 36 MAPLE STREET, STANTON, KY 40380/STANTON COUNTY HOUSE AND LOT



It consists of a living room, kitchen, three bedrooms and one bath. This property is considered unsuitable for the Rural Development, Housing Program. This would be an excellent buy for an investor interested in rental property or for resale after repairs.

An Open House will be held on Thursday, February 7, 2013 from 10:00-11:00 a.m. The minimum acceptable bid for this property is \$28,810.00

Payment of the current year's property taxes are the responsibility of the purchaser.

Clear title to this property is not warranted. The U.S. Marshal's Deed is not a general warranty deed. Buyers are advised to have the property's title examined. Written notification regarding encumbrances on the property must be made to the Rowan County Rural Development Office within 30 days.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, February 14, 2013 at 10:00 A.M. at 36 Maple Street, Stanton, Kentucky, in order to raise the principal sum of \$35,475.05, with accrued interest of \$7,295.30, through April 9, 2010, with the total subsidy granted of \$43,112.84, with late fees of \$259.95 and with fees assessed of \$2,764.15, for a total unpaid balance due of \$88,907.29. Interest is accruing on the unpaid principal balance at the rate of \$9.4011 per day after April 9, 2010, until the date of entry of the Judgment, plus interest on the Judgment amount (principal plus the shared appreciation recapture plus interest to the date of entry of this Judgment) at the rate of 0.24% computed daily and compounded annually, until paid in full and for the costs of this action, pursuant to Judgment and Order of Sale, being Civil Action No.

5:10-CV-00349-JMH on the Lexington Docket of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, entered on April 29, 2011, in the case of United States of America vs. Wanda Spangler, Et Al, the following described property will be sold to the highest and best bidder:

Being two (2) certain tracts or parcels of land, lying and being in Powell County, Kentucky, and being situated in the town of Stanton, Kentucky, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows: Tract I: Beginning in the margin of Maple Street at the Delmont Neal line; thence running with the Delmont Neal line a distance of approximately 56 feet south to the Katie Baker line; thence running a westerly direction with the said Katie Baker line a distance of 52 feet to the Harry Mackey line; thence running with the Harry Mackey line a northerly direction back to the margin of Maple Street; thence running in a easterly direction with the margin of Maple Street to the point of beginning. Tract II: Beginning at a point in the margin of Maple Street at the Rodney Allen line; thence running north with the Rodney Allen line to the Morgan Bellamy line a distance of approximately 154 feet; thence running eastward with the Morgan Bellamy line a distance of approximately 66 feet 10 inches to the Katie Baker line; thence running a southerly direction a distance to approximately 92 feet; thence continuing in a southerly direction with the Cebert Gilbert line to a stake in the margin of Maple Street; thence running with the margin of Maple Street in a westerly direction back to the point of beginning a distance of approximately 67 feet 9 inches. Being the same property conveyed from Charles R. Pasley and Ambara K. Pasley, his wife to Arnold Spangler and Wanda Spangler, his wife, dated the 27th day of May, 1988, recorded in Deed Book 102, page 228, records of the Powell County Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent (10%) of the bid price (in the form of a Cashiers Check made payable to the U.S. Marshal) on the day of sale with good and sufficient bond for the balance, bearing interest at the rate of 0.24% per annum until paid, due and payable in sixty (60) days and said bond having the effect of a Judgment. Upon a default by the Purchaser, the deposit shall be forfeited and retained by the U.S. Marshal as part of the proceeds of the sale, and the property shall again be offered for sale subject to confirmation by the Court. This sale shall be in bar and foreclosure of all right, title, interest, estate claim, demand or equity of redemption of the defendant(s) and of all persons claiming by, through, under or against them, provided the purchase price is equal to two-thirds of the appraised value. If the purchase price is not equal to two-thirds of the appraised value, the Deed shall contain a lien in favor of the defendant(s) reflecting the right of the defendant(s) to redeem during the period provided by law (KRS 426.530). Under law, the purchaser is deemed to be on notice of all matters affecting the property of record in the local County Clerk's Office.

Inquires should be directed to: Dorothy Fannin Smith, Area Director
Rural Development Area Office
Morehead, Kentucky - Telephone: 606-784-6447

Lady Pirates pick up three wins, preparing for final push

By JAMES COOK
Times Editor

The Powell County Lady Pirates had no problem with their fire power last week as they begin to prepare for the late season push into the post-season. Powell took on and beat two district foes with ease and then had to regroup a little to beat a surprise regional team.

When the smoke cleared, Powell picked up three big wins as they topped Owsley, Estill and Jackson City.

Last Monday the Lady Pirates traveled to Owsley County for a little "Basketball in Booneville." The game started a little slow as Powell held a surprising low and slim 7-4 lead after one quarter. That did not improve too much as both teams kept up with each other, but on a quicker pace. Powell still clung to a slim lead at the half, 23-17.

In the second half Powell started to distance themselves from the Lady Owls. Using a four player double digit performance, the Lady Pirates outscored Owsley 40-31 in the second half to take home the 63-48 win.

Powell was led by Keeley Rogers with 17 points. Nikki Wells tossed in 13, while Destiny Peck and Stephanie Knox each chipped in 10. Triston Curtis added eight, Sarah Spencer scored four and Michaela Moreland added a free throw to the scoring.

Powell then made their way to their home port to face district rival Estill County last Thursday. Just seven days prior Powell held an 18 point lead in Irvine but had to hold on by hitting free throws to win that game. Now they were determined to make sure that did not happen again.

No danger of that this time.

Powell jumped out to 15-9 lead early and took a 26-13 lead into the intermission. The Lady Pirates held Estill to single digit scoring in each of the first two quarters.

Both teams were fired up for the third quarter as each scored 18 points apiece. But the in the final frame Powell poured on the defense and that opened their offense. The Lady Pirates outscored the Lady Engineers 22-6 in the quarter. The game was never in question, as Powell's offense was too much for the visitors. So was Powell's inside presence of Rogers and Peck. Powell won the game, 66-37.

The Lady Pirates were led by Rogers with 25 points and Wells with 13. Peck poured in 11 points and picked up 11 rebounds in the game. Curtis added seven, Knox scored six and Felicia Ledford came off the bench to score two points. Kennedy Flynn led Estill with 14 points.



Times Photos by James Cook
Nikki Wells (above) drove in for two of her 23 points against Jackson City last Saturday. Wells was hot from outside as well and had 12 assists to go with her performance. Triston Curtis (bottom left) took the ball to the goal against Estill County Last Thursday. Curtis, a steady, consistent player with her defense and rebounding, helped lead Powell to the win.



Pirates fall in a close one to Breathitt as season begins to wind down

By GREG MCINTOSH
Times Sportswriter

The Powell County Pirates have been through its share of ups and downs this season. Injuries, sickness, and inconsistent play have led to the Pirates roller coaster season. This past Tuesday, Powell traveled to Breathitt County to take on the Bobcats.

Breathitt, one of the top teams in the 14th Region, would prove to be a worthy opponent. The Pirates were looking to take down the Bobcats and gain a little respect in the region.

Powell jumped on the Bobcats early with the hot shooting of Trey Marcum and the athletic play of Brett Goodwin.

Breathitt's defense in the first quarter could not stop the two Pirate players. Powell led 15 - 8 at the end of the first quarter.

The second quarter saw the Bobcats change defenses and the Pirates were slow to adjust to that change. Breathitt used pressure man to man defense on Marcum and Goodwin and zone on the rest the team. The Bobcats got steals and converted into baskets on offense. Breathitt outscored the Pirates in the second quarter, 19 - 6 to take a 27 - 21 lead into halftime.

Powell adjusted at halftime and played much better in the third quarter. Marcum sank baskets as Brett Thompson and Aaron Townsend stepped up on the inside for the Pirates. Powell got to within three points with two minutes to play in the quarter. Breathitt responded and held on to the lead at 38 - 34 after three quarters.

The Pirates held their own against the Bobcats

down the stretch. Powell just could not get over the hump to catch Breathitt. The Bobcats hit big shots and free throws at the end of the game and defeated the Pirates, 52 - 44 in a close game.

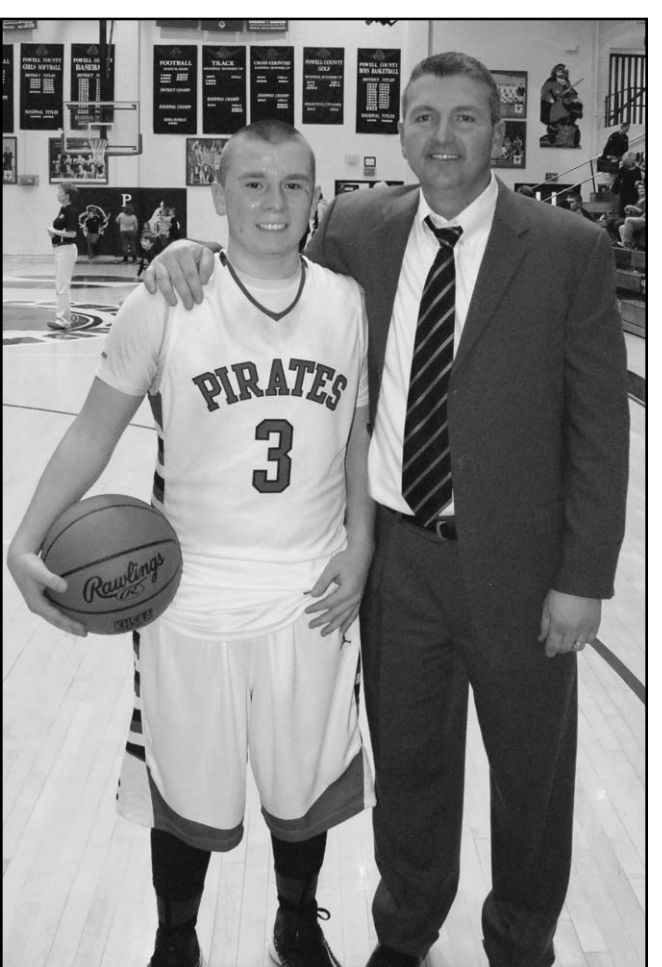
Trey Marcum led the way for Powell with 19 points and Brett Goodwin added 10 points. Aaron Townsend chipped in with seven points and Brett Thompson scored six points. John David Hubbard had two points for the Pirates.

This past Friday, the Pirates were scheduled to play June Buchanan but the winter weather forced the cancellation of the game. Powell now stands at 7 - 13 for the season.

The Pirates were scheduled to travel to Owsley County on Tuesday. Powell will be on the road again this Friday against West Carter.

Marcum honored, scores 1,000th point

Times Photo by James Cook
Powell County Pirate senior guard Trey Marcum was honored recently for scoring his 1,000th point in his high school career. Marcum was presented a ball to commemorate the occasion by Powell Head Coach Brian Hall.



Future rulers of the court . . .
Times Photo by James Cook
The Matriarchs, a youth ball-handling and skills basketball squad for girls ages 4-12, took to the court on Monday night in the Powell-Johnson Central game. The team showed off their talents in ball handling and dribbling, as well as in keep beat with the various music being played.

Church Directory

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Stanton Assembly of God, Washington St., Stanton, 663-0198, Pastor David Dauwe, cell 502-5514-1786, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm.

BAPTIST
Baptist Worship Center of Mt. Sterling, 100 Howard Ave. (behind courthouse), Mt. Sterling; worship, 10:45 a.m. Pastor, Travis Drake. A people church where everyone is someone special. Nursery provided. Information: George Drake 859-498-3933.

Clay City Baptist, 7th St. & 8th Ave., Clay City, Grider Denney, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Evening Service 7 pm.

Emmanuel Baptist, 745 W Highway 15 (across from PCHS) Stanton. Ph: 663-1300. Pastor Greg Webb; Services: Sunday School 9:45 am, Morning Worship 11:00 am, Evening Worship 6 pm, Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 pm.

Faith Freewill Baptist Church, 130 Washington Street, Stanton, KY 40380, Pastor: Ireland Sexton. Phone 606-663-0073.

Friendship Baptist Church, 105 Bluebird Lane (off Virden Ridge Rd.) Clay City, Clyde Spencer, Pastor, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service Sunday, 11 am; Worship Service Saturday 6 pm.

Mill Knob Baptist Church, 21 Rice Rd., Stanton, off Peck's Creek. Pastor, Warren Rogers 606-481-0444. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship at 11 a.m. Evening Worship 6 p.m. Wednesday service 7 p.m.

Morris Creek Missionary Baptist, Hwy. 213 North, Pastor Kevin Chaney. Sunday School 10 am, worship 10:45 am, Sunday night, 6 pm

Powell's Valley Baptist, 125 Powell's Valley Rd., Clay City; Gary Willoughby, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday service 6 pm.

Rehoboth Baptist Mission, 663-1950; Gary Hurt, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Morning Service 11 am; Sunday Evening 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Stanton Baptist, 42 E. College Ave., Stanton, Ph. 663-2170; Jonathan Lewis , Min., Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; AWANAS Wednesday 6:30-8 pm & Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

West Bend Baptist, 10124 Winchester Rd. Sunday School 10 a.m.; Sunday Service 11:15 a.m. Pastor John C. Taylor. Phone 1-859-270-1599.

Calvary Baptist Church, Stokely Loop, Clay City, 663-1890; Johnny Hurt, Pastor, Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am; Evening Service 6 pm; Wednesday Service 6 pm.

CATHOLIC
Our Lady Of The Mountains Church, 1093 E. College Ave., 663-5919; Sister Mary Jane Kreidler, pastoral director, and Father Al Fritsch, parish priest. Tuesday and Friday Mass 4:30 pm

CHRISTIAN
Stanton Christian, 100 West Church Street, Stanton, 663-2458; Pastor, Barry Wethington, Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service 10:30 a.m. and Sunday Night Unplugged, Praise and Worship with Tom Graham and the SCC Worship Band at 6 p.m. Wednesday service 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Bowen Church of Christ, Luke Newell - 1st and 3rd Sunday; Daniel Newell - 2nd and 4th Sunday.

Cat Creek Church of Christ, Eugene Reed , Relzda McNabb, and Dwaine Meadows Min. Sunday School 10 a.m.; morning worship 11 a.m.; evening service 6p.m.' Wednesday 7 p.m.

Clay City Church of Christ, 5719 Main St., Clay City, Mack C. Rice, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Stanton Church of Christ, 255 N. Main St., 663-5327; Brock Hartwigsen, Min., Sunday Service 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

CHURCH OF GOD
Bowen First Church of God, 5555 Campton Road, Stanton (Bowen) 663-0751; Pastor Steven V. Williams, Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Clay City First Church of God, 4236 Main St., Ph. 663-2810; Garland Lacy, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Emmanuel's Tabernacle Church of God, Pastor: Kyle Shoupe; 859-749-4067; Sunday School, 1 pm, Worship Service, 2 pm; Sunday Night Service, 6:30 pm; Wed. night service, 7:00 pm; For more information 663-2266 or 663-8118.. Everyone is welcome.

Grace Fellowship Church of God of Prophecy, 775 E. College Ave., Willard Estep, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am & 6:30 pm, Wednesday Service 7 pm.
Goff Corner Independent First Church of God, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am; Bible Study, Wednesday, 7 pm. Pastor, Gary Mathis

Harg First Church of God, Sunday Service 11:00 a.m.

Hatcher's Creek Church of God, Dale Sparks, Min., Worship Service 10:30 am and 6:30 pm.

Knowlton Church of God, Furnace Rd., Stanton, Kenny Wasson, Min, Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 6 pm; Wednesday Service 6 p.m.

Living Water Church, 780 North Fork Rd., Ph. 663-1979; Dale Hale, Sunday School 10 am; Morning Worship Services 11 am and Sunday Night 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

More Than Enough Ministries Church of God, 1236 College St., Stanton, KY. Service Fridays 5-7 p.m., Clothing Giveaway Director Betsy A. Caudill , home (606)663-7849, cell (606)304-8838,
Morris Creek First Church of God, 1669 Morris Creek Rd., Stanton, Raymond Tip-ton, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Mountain Parkway Church of God, 30 Adams Ridge Rd., Dale Payne, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

New Beginnings Church of God, 1091 Irvine Road, Hwy. 82, Clay City; Pastors Patty and Billie Utterback, Sunday School 11 am; Sunday Worship Services 12 pm. Tuesday Bible Study 6 pm., Wednesday and Saturday 7 pm.

Slade Church of God, Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Worship 11 am; Sunday Night Service 6 pm. Pastors: Bill White . Campers Welcome.

Stacy Road Church of God, Irvine, James and David Riddell, Min, Sunday Service 7 pm; Wednesday and Friday Service 7 p.m.

Stanton First Church of God, 980 E. College Ave. P.O. Box 325, Sunday School 10

am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm. Anthony T. Molihan minister.

Vaughn's Mill First Church of God, Hardwick's Creek Rd., Clay City, Teddie Linkous, Min.; Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6:30; Wednesday Service 7 pm.

Vaughn's Mill Full Gospel Church of God, Located off KY 2001 and Happy Top Road in Clay City. Services are: Sunday 10 a.m., Worship at 11 a.m.; Sunday evening at 6 p.m.; Thursday evening at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome.

West Bend Church of God, 9866 Winchester Rd., Clay City, KY 40312, Ph. 663-9210. Pastor Bro. Ray Wyant , home phone 859-498-2262 Sunday School 9:45 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 6:00 pm., youth service 7 p.m. Wednesday prayer services at 7 p.m.

West Bend First Church of God, 8861 Winchester Rd., Clay City, KY Pastor James Combs, Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wednesday youth service, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday prayer service, 6:30 p.m.

Christian Fellowship Church of God, 4627 Main St., Clay City, Pastor Harold G. Kelly, Sunday School 10 am; Sunday Morning Worship Service 10:45 am and Sunday Night Service 6:00 pm; Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

Walnut Grove Church of God, North Fork Road, Stanton, Rothiel King Pastor, Sunday Morning Service 10 am; Night service 6 pm.

LUTHERAN
Grace Lutheran Church, 108 Hemlock Dr., Winchester, Sunday School 9:15 am, Worship 10:30 am, 745-2873

UNITED METHODIST
Clay City United Methodist, 7th St., Kim Rose, Min., Sunday School 10:00 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 pm.

Hardwicks Creek United Methodist, Hardwicks Creek, Rev. Michael Cobb Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am & 5 pm; Wednesday Service 6 pm.

Shiloh United Methodist, 2652 Campton Rd. (SR 11 & 15) Stanton, Ph. 663-5633; Brandon Candee, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6:30 pm; Youth Ministries, 6:30 pm Sunday; Bible study 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

West Bend United Methodist, 8677 Winchester Rd., Clay City, Ph. 663-5534; Michael R.Guertin, Pastor, (931) 237-0569; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship, 11 am and 6 p.m.; Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL
Harvestime Assembly 480 E. College Ave., Stanton; Sunday, 10 am, 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday, 7 pm. Rev. Tony Story, 606-663-9866.

Seven Candles Holiness Pentecostal Church, Old Route 11, Montgomery Co., Wallace Boian, Min., Worship Service Thursday, 7 pm; Saturday, 7 pm.

PRESBYTERIAN
First Presbyterian, Phillip Pogue, 420 N. Main St., Stanton, Ph. 663-2914; Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship Service 10:45 am and 7:00 pm; Wednesday Service 7:00 pm.

OTHER
Airport Chapel, Stanton, Scoby Faulkner, Min.
Blessed Assurance Church, 44 N. Main St., Stanton; Gary Sparks, pastor. Sunday School 10 a.m.; morning worship 11

a.m.; Sunday night 6 p.m.; Wednesday 4 p.m. Phone 859-556-0481

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1085 Grand Ave., Beattyville. Branch president, James R. Ellison; Sacrament meeting, 10:30-11:30; Sunday School 11:40-12:20; Priesthood and relief society 12:20-1 p.m.; missionaries phone 859-432-9584. Ronald E. Roberts 1st Counselor in the branch presidency, 1452 Brookside Dr., Stanton. Phone 606-481-9770

Three Cross Mission Church, Sunday School 10 am, Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm and Wednesday Service 6:30 pm, Clay City, KY

Highway of Holiness, Black Creek Rd., Clay City, Pastor Wendell Hurt, Every Sat. night at 7 pm. Everyone welcome.

Full Gospel Church, 27 Hunter Ln., Clay City; Pastor, Ralph Banks; Sunday Services 6 p.m., Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m.

Full Gospel Lighthouse, Fifth Ave., Clay City, Sammy Faulkner, Min., Sunday School 10 am; Worship Service 11 am and 6 pm; Wednesday Service 7 pm

Full Gospel Evangelistic Ministry Church 1972 Winchester Road, Irvine; 859-351-9854; Pastor Larry Collins, Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

House of Prayer For All People, Helton Mtn., Slade, Dale Helton, Min., Worship Service, Sunday 2 pm.

Living Water Church, 780 North Fork Rd., Stanton, pastor Donald W. Hale; Phone 606-768-6007; Sunday Service at 4 p.m. Need information about a ride on church bus call 663-9158..

Nada Baptist Mission, Tunnel Rd., Dr. John Owen, pastor; Phone 859-744-2884. Services 3:15 Sunday School; 4 p.m. worship.

Never Ending Grace Community Church, 29 Howell Lane, Clay City, Stephen Donithan, pastor 859-585-8756 Sunday School 10:00 a.m., Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Pine Grove C.M.E. Church, 9575 Winchester Rd., Clay City KY 40312. Sunday School: 10 am.; worship service 11 a.m.; Pastor, Diane Flora.

Spirit of Life in Christ Church 587 Brush Creek, Clay City, Pastor Ken Fugate, alternate J.D. McClure, 663-4220 Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday evening 6 p.m.; Thursday evening 7 p.m.

Outreach Church, Rice Station, Sunday worship 11 a.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting, 7 p.m. Pastor, Terry Hymer.

Vaughns Mill Community Church, hosting God's Fresh Start Church 155 Spout Springs Road, Clay City, Ph. 859-608-6525, Thomas Rogers, pastor, Sunday Service 2 p.m.; Thursday night 7 p.m.

Wings of Love Church, 7283 Winchester Rd., Clay City, Ricky Shuler, pastor, Children's Sunday School, 5:30 p.m., Sunday Service 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday night 7 p.m.

Carmargo Unity Freewill Baptist, 4122 Carmargo Road, Mt. Sterling, Martin McIntosh, pastor, Sunday School, 10 a.m., Morning Worship, 11 a.m., Sunday Evening Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday night 7 p.m

Wildwood Chapel, 1599 Halls Hill Road, Stanton. Pastor: George Sparks, 606 -663-9950. Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship Services 11 a.m., Friday Service at 7 p.m.

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ENCOURAGING WORD: We LOOK FORWARD WITH HOPE



Howard Coop
Guest Columnist

It's hard to believe, but it's that time of the year again.

Ground Hog Day, that amusing event that occurs each year on the second day of February, is almost here.

According to folklore, the little brown marmot will awake from a long winter nap, come out of his comfortable den, and through sleepy eyes, look around at the landscape. What he sees will indicate what the weather will be for the next six weeks. If the sun is shining and the groundhog sees his shadow, he will return to the comfort of his

den to sleep soundly through six more weeks of bad weather, but if it is cloudy and he doesn't see his shadow, winter will essentially be over and he will remain outside the den to enjoy pleasant weather that is sure to come.

What the ground hog sees and its relationship to coming weather may be debatable, and it will be a topic of lively conversation by many. But one thing is sure: We are approaching the mid-point of winter. The sun, in its annu-

al and never failing journey northward, is approaching the halfway point between the winter solstice and the vernal equinox; therefore the days are somewhat longer and the nights are somewhat shorter. The north wind may howl around the corner of the house, snow may swirl across the landscape, and it may be bitter cold. We may not be able to feel it when we go outside, but the average daily temperature has begun to creep upward ever so slowly, and

deep in our hearts, we know that better weather is ahead. Spring is six weeks away, and we feel good about it.

Things don't always happen according to our wishes. Along the way bad things happen, and they that hurt. But there is an optimistic spirit in the human heart that gives us real hope. Even in the worst of times, we look forward to the future with hope, and life is better.



Circuit Court

Billie Jo Abney, false statement for prescription/order/RPT, possession of a controlled substance, third degree – drug unspecified, guilty plea, received two years – diverted for three years.

Charles Anderson, criminal possession of a forged instrument-first degree-I, continued until Feb. 6.

Eric Boyd, receiving stolen property under \$10,000, criminal mischief-second degree, continued until Feb. 20.

Jane Brantley, trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree, first offense, drub unspecified, continued until Feb. 6.

Carl Emory Brewer, two counts of criminal possession of a forged instrument-second degree-I, continued until Feb. 20.

Harvey Kenneth Brewer, stalking-second degree, distribution of obscene matter greater than one unit of matter, video voyeurism, continued until March 6.

James Burks, burglary, second degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-all others, continued until Feb. 6

David L. Campbell Jr., probation violation for felony offense, continued until March 20.

Gary Way Cantrell, wanton endangerment-first degree, trial date set.

Doyle Matthew Conner, burglary, third degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-all others, sentenced to five years with credit for time served of 326 days.

William Joe Creech, burglary, third degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-building, criminal mischief-third degree, continued until Feb. 20.

Barry E. Crouch, burglary, third degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-building, criminal mischief-third degree, continued until Feb. 20.

Tabitha Dougherty, burglary, second degree, theft by unlawful tak-

ing/disp-all others, theft of identity of another without consent, assault fourth degree minor injury, bench warrant issued.

Roger Dwayne Elam, defrauding a secured creditor-over \$100, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 20.

Christopher Fugate, receiving stolen property under \$10,000, persistent felony offender – first degree, guilty plea, received one year consecutive.

Keith W. Gross, burglary, first degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-firearm, burglary, second degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-all others, criminal mischief-second degree, convicted felon in possession of a handgun, sentenced to 13 years with credit for time served of 127 days.

Charles Henry Hale Jr., theft by unlawful taking/disp-all others, criminal trespassing-third degree, bench warrant.

Aaron Edward Harper, trafficking in a controlled substance, first degree, first offense, opiates, continued until Feb. 6.

Rocky Higgins, two counts of burglary, third degree, two counts of theft by unlawful taking-building, two counts of criminal mischief-third degree, engaging in organized crime-criminal syndicate, continued until Feb. 20.

George Harvy Jarrell Jr., assault-third degree-police/probation officer-identi, terroristic threatening, third degree, resisting arrest, convicted felon in possession of a firearm, persistent felony offender – second degree, sentenced to two years with credit for time served of 178 days, serve 180 days – balance probated for three years.

Thomas Ray Kennon, receiving stolen property (firearm), continued until March 20.

Aaron Lovings, theft by unlawful taking/disp-shoplifting, amended to theft by unlawful taking less than \$500, guilty plea, received 12 months with credit for time served of 46 days.

Natasha Lynn

Meadows, flagrant non support, continued until March 6.

Carl Miles Jr., rape, third degree, pretrial conference Feb. 6

Roger Jason Miller, burglary, second degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-all others, persistent felony offender – first degree, guilty plea, received 12 months – concurrent with sentence now serving.

Bobby Noble, escape-second degree, identify facility, sentenced to two years with credit for time served of 262 days.

Sheena R. Odom, false statement for prescription/order/report, trafficking in a controlled substance, third degree, second or greater offense, drug unspecified, guilty plea, received two years – diverted for three years.

Donald Ray Parks, manufacturing methamphetamine, first offense, possession of a controlled substance, first degree, first offense (methamphetamine), tampering with physical evidence, buying and/or possession of drug paraphernalia, pretrial conference Feb. 6.

Leeann Pergram, robbery, first degree, continued until Feb. 6.

Leeanna Pergram, bribe receiving by a witness, continued until Feb. 6.

Omer C. Risner, burglary, second degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-all others, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 20.

Jesse Rogers, burglary, third degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-all others, receiving stolen property under \$10,000, guilty plea, received five years – probated for five years, sentencing set for Feb. 6.

Jordan Romanesko, burglary, second degree, theft by unlawful taking over \$300, continued until Feb. 6.

James Sanders, receiving stolen property under \$10,000, guilty plea, received five years – diverted for five years.

Jimmy Dale Saylor, burglary, third degree, two counts of theft by unlawful taking/disp-building, two counts of criminal

mischief-third degree, burglary, third degree, engaging in organized crime-criminal syndicate, continued until Feb. 20.

Michael Lynn Skidmore Jr., assault, second degree, theft by unlawful taking/disp-firearm, criminal mischief, first degree, sentenced to eight years with credit for time served of 157 days.

Joshua Sparks, theft by unlawful taking/disp-all others, persistent felony offender – second degree, continued until Feb. 6.

Douglas Lee Traugott, theft by deception-including cold checks, defrauding a secured creditor greater than \$10,000, felony, false swearing, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 6.

Shawn Trent, flagrant non support, guilty plea, received three years – diverted for five years.

Rodney Woosley, complicity to robbery, first degree, continued until Feb. 6.

District Court

Misty Nicole Barroso, criminal trespass-second degree, assault fourth degree no visible injury, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 12.

OB G. Charleton, alcohol intoxication in a public place-third or greater offense within 12 months, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 12.

Charles Frankliln Coates Jr., harassing communication, not guilty plea, continued until March 12.

Cameron S. Francis, alcohol intoxication in a public place-first and second offense, criminal trespassing-third degree, bench warrant issued, \$500 cash bond.

Justin Goodwin, harassing communications, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 12.

Steven Allen Jefferson, theft by unlawful taking/disp-all others, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 12.

Mason R. Jordan, alcohol intoxication in a public place-first and second offense, guilty plea, \$25 fine plus costs.

Benjamini C. Bishop, operating a motor vehi-

cle under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs, etc. .08 first offense, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security first, failure to produce insurance card, one headlight, counts 2 and 3 dismissed without prejudice, not guilty plea, pretrial conference March 19.

Peny C. Cantrell, speeding 5 mph over limit, pretrial diversion ordered.

Danny Conner, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, first, failure to produce insurance card, merge with count 3, failure to appear.

Roger D. Crowe, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, pass until Feb. 19.

Holly E. Defilippo, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to notify address change to the department of transportation, dismissed on all counts.

Ross P. Hicks, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, dismissed.

Angela Hughes, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, counts 1 and 2 dismissed, license to be in possession, failure to appear.

Debra L. Martin, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, show cause Feb. 19.

Mandy Perry, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, counts 1 and 2 dismissed, failure to produce insurance card, merge with count 4, failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance, first, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 19, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle, dismissed, license to be in possession, dismissed.



Billy J. Shackelford, Jr., no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, no/expired registration plates, failure to produce insurance card merge with count 4, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security first, operating a vehicle with expired operators license, no operators/moped license, bench warrant, \$500 cash bond.

Samantha K. Townsend, operating on a suspended or revoked operators license, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security first, show cause Feb. 9.

John D. Watkins, speeding 22 mph over (limited access), failure to appear.

Teresa Smith, terroristic threatening, third degree, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 12.

James A. Watkins, public intoxication from a controlled substance excluding alcohol, five counts of terroristic threatening, third degree, assault-third degree-inmate assault on corrections employee, preliminary hearing Jan. 29.

Julie Hubbard Willoughby, terroristic threatening, third degree, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 12.

Eric C. Perry, harassing communications, stalking-second degree, not guilty plea, pretrial conference Feb. 15.

Robert J. Freeman, operating a vehicle with expired operators license, dismissed without prejudice.

Foothills program for heating assistance is available through March 31

The deepening of cold winter weather combined with rising utility costs leaves many households unable to fully meet heating bills or purchase sufficient bulk fuel to keep their families safe and warm. Kentucky River Foothills Development Council (KRFDC) will begin the “Crisis” portion of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) that assists households in a heating crisis.

A household shall be considered to be in a home heating crisis situation when the household meets the basic LIHEAP eligibility criteria and (1) the household is within four days of running out of fuel if bulk fuel (coal, fuel oil, propane, kerosene, or wood) is the heat source; (2) the household has received a disconnect notice if natural gas or electric is the heat source; or (3) the household’s home heating costs are included as an undesignated portion of the rent, and the household has received an eviction notice for non-payment from the landlord.

Qualifying participants will receive an energy assistance voucher. Energy services include electric, gas, kerosene, fuel oil, propane, coal, or wood. Eligible participants do not need to have an unpaid energy bill or be out of fuel to receive energy assistance in the subsidy portion of this program. The benefit amount that each household receives will be based on its level of poverty and the type of fuel used for heating. All eligible households will receive a benefit until LIHEAP funds are fully depleted. Benefits will be made payable to the household’s primary or secondary heating fuel vendor.

Applications will be taken Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the KRFDC Outreach Office located at 176 12th Street in Clay City. The office will be closed from noon - 1 p.m. Applications will be taken through March 31, 2013 or until funds are depleted, whichever comes first.

Both homeowners and renters who are responsible for their heating bills and have low or fixed incomes are eligible.

LIHEAP has established income guidelines to determine eligibility. For the 2012-2013 program year, the income guidelines are:

Household Size	Gross Monthly Income
1	\$1,211
2	\$1,640
3	\$2,069
4	\$2,498
5	\$2,927
6	\$3,356
7	\$3,785
8	\$4,214
• Add \$429 for each additional family member	

The basic eligibility criteria includes:

- Completion of an application;
 - Is responsible for home energy costs, directly or as an undesignated portion of their rent;
 - Have a combined household income, for the calendar month prior to the month of application, not in excess of 130% of the federal poverty level as listed in the Income Eligibility Guidelines;
 - Live in Kentucky when the application is made and apply in the county of residence; and
 - Not have liquid resources in excess of \$2,000, or \$3,000 if at least one person in the household is 60 or older: and/or disabled except for households where a member has a catastrophic illness.
- The amount may be \$4,000 when the resources are being accessed for medical and living expenses. In addition to the above eligibility requirements, crisis applicants must be within four days of running out of fuel if wood, coal, propane, fuel oil or kerosene is the heat source or a disconnect/past due notice has been received from the vendor (example: past due notice, termination notice, final notice).
- Applicants must bring the following information:
- Most recent disconnect notice for electric or natural gas, an eviction notice if heating expenses are included in rent;
 - Metered utility bill (natural gas, electric, or water) as proof of address;
 - Social Security cards, or Permanent Residence card (Green Card) for each member of household;
 - Proof of all household income from previous month.

Individuals who are unable to apply for themselves may send an authorized individual to apply for them. If this is the case, please contact the KRFDC office in advance. If you are sick or have the flu, please call the Outreach Office first to make other arrangements.

Interested energy customers can find out more how to apply for LIHEAP/heating assistance by contacting the Powell County Outreach Office at 663-2659.

LIHEAP is a statewide initiative sponsored by Community Action Kentucky in partnership with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS). The U.S. Department for Health and Human Services appropriates funding to Kentucky through the CHFS, which contracts with Community Action Agencies across the state to receive LIHEAP applications and provide recipient benefits.

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Date of Appt. 1/29/2013
Attorney: Hon. Monica Lacy
Address: PO Box 747, Stanton, KY 40380

Notice is given by the Powell Distrit Court that administration has been given in the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate have six months from the date of appointment to file the claim properly with the respective representative.
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Attorney: Hon. Monica Lacy

Address: PO Box 747, Stanton, KY 40380

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Tis the flu season



By SARAH BLOOM
Times Lifestyle
Columnist

I don't get sick very often. Praise the good Lord above I do not get sick very often, but when I do I seem to make up for lost time. The flu regretfully decided to make a pit stop at our house this year.

I really shouldn't call it a pit stop because it was not in and out fast like the race car drivers enjoy. No, it came, it infected, and it hung around like the odor of bad cheese or burnt soup beans.

There was no escaping this nasty bug and by the end of the first day I was too weak to even try. So I accepted the fact that the next week would be pretty much miserable and kept a steady sup-

ply of tissue, Tylenol, and Ibuprofen as close to me as possible.

As the week wore on I think I may have sweat-ed off about five pounds. Eventually I began to feel better though my energy level is yet to get back to normal.

Getting up and moving about for an hour inevitably leads to three hours of lying down. Vicious cycle, but if it works, it works.

During all this down time my brain never fails to race on over a million different things.

I have decided that it is not a great idea for me to have too much "think-ing" time on my hands. I tend to quickly become my own worst enemy. My feverish brain went everywhere from how quickly my boys are growing up to pondering "why" as a child I decided to eat chicken poop at my mamaw and papaw's one Sunday afternoon.

The daunting task of housework piling up was another constant nag. One day as I was shuf-fling from the bedroom to the kitchen I started to

mentally note all of the house work that needed to be done. I even went so far as to pull my sweeper from the closet only to sit it by the way-side after I was exhaust-ed from the effort and decided the couch looked more inviting.

My boys helped me out as much as they could during this time though I think the first few days I may have scared them.

Besides the fact that I looked like an extra for the Walking Dead, a couple of nights before my fever started I had just finished reading a book with one of my twins en-titled "The Great Death". It chronicled the struggle of two young Indian girls as they fought to survive after their family was wiped out by small pox.

I noticed my son on more than one occasion kind of standing back looking at me before he would lean in and ask again if I was going to be ok.

One evening, after a particularly yucky day, I made my way to the bathroom only to grimace at the reflection that met



me in the mirror. When I returned to the bedroom I immediately apologized to my husband, poor guy must have been scarred if he rolled over in the middle of the night and seen that.

Too much time on my hands also equaled too much television.

Over the course of a few days I contemplat-ed throwing something at the television more than once; sometimes

just because it suddenly seemed too loud and oth-ers for the thousandth time someone felt the need to point out the fact that Beyoncé lip synched.

Other things turned out more beneficial and I did get educated a few times especially when I watched the entire six hours of Vietnam in HD on the History Channel.

Thank the Lord I am finally on the mend. My mom, dad, brother and

two of my boys have also been sick with this nasty bug and thankfully they are better.

My prayers go out to anyone who has been affected. Next flu sea-son I may just voluntari-ly quarantine my entire family for a month, just to be safe.

God bless you all and remember, "To every-thing there is a season ..." Ecclesiastes 3:1

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Food for Thought

"Behold the turtle.
He makes progress only when he sticks
his neck out."
— James Conant

Helpful tips: Prepare for taxes now; shop in your closet



PAM DOOLEY
County
Home Ec.
Agent

Now is the time when we start thinking about filing our income taxes from the previous year. Even though it's an annual event, it can cause anxiety for many. By preparing now, you can ease the process for your self and your tax preparer.

The Internal Revenue Service tracks everyone by their Social Security number. Make sure you have your number and that your spouses if filing jointly, plus the number(s) of your dependent(s). In addition to your W-2 or like form, you want to include information about any interest you earned from savings accounts, stocks or mutual funds as these are also taxable.

One of the largest deductions many people can claim is mortgage interest. If you have a mortgage, you should get a 1098 form from your lender specifying how much interest you paid in the last year. You will also want to remember any documentation for any additional deductions you may have, such as property taxes paid and charitable donations made within the past year. Common forms of documentation for charitable donations include a cancelled check if you gave a monetary donation or an itemized receipt if you donated clothes or other goods.

Your goal should be to break even at tax time,

which means you don't receive a big refund from the state or federal government or you don't have to write a big check to either or both.

Every year, thousands of taxpayers will get refunds. While some consider overpaying in taxes on their paycheck a form of forced savings, you may want to consider how you could use this money throughout the year. The extra money could help you with such things as building your personal savings or emergency fund, making an extra house payment or paying off debt. To change your tax withholding, you will need to file a new W-4 form with your employer.

Many tax preparers advertise immediate money through tax refunds advance services. However, these may not be the best idea for many. A fee is usually assessed in exchange for the quick cash. Tax refund advances are similar to a payday loan, and both are some of the most expensive ways to borrow money.

According to the Consumer Action web-site, annual percentages rates can range for 50 to 500 percent on tax refund advances. A tax advance refund, or rapid refund, is a loan.

If for some reason your refund is less than anticipated, you could end up paying the difference between the two and possibly additional fees or interest. Perhaps a better way to get your refund quickly is to electronically file your taxes as early as possible and have it deposited directly into your checking account. By doing so, you could have your refund as soon as 10 days later.

If you owe the IRS money this year, you may want to consider changing your withholding status with your employer so more money can be taken out throughout

the year, so you're not hit with a big payment next year. If you owe taxes but don't have the money to pay due to unemployment or a reduction in work in the past year, you may qualify for the IRS's Fresh Start program, which may allow you to repay your debt in installments without failure-to-pay penalties. There are income and tax limits associated with this program. For more information on it visit <http://www.irs.gov>.

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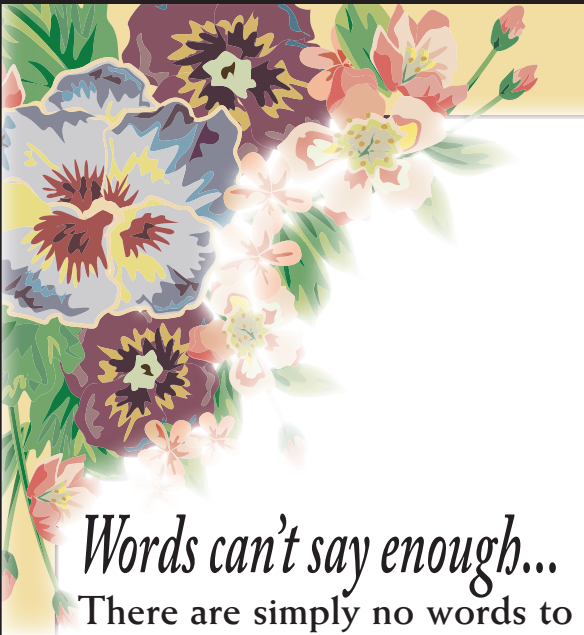
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Cooking for a Healthy Heart

According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Report released in October 2012, heart disease remains the leading cause of death in the United States.

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There are simply no words to express our heartfelt thanks for the love, sympathy, and support the community has extended toward our family during our loss.

We are deeply grateful for each and every one of you that attended the services, sent flowers, condolence cards, brought food, or remembered our family in prayer. The kind, generosity of good friends like you has been a great comfort to our family during this very difficult time.

Our loved one, Carl Wells, Sr., loved this community and dedicated his life to the service of others through the Wells Funeral Home, Wells Ambulance Service, and as Powell County Coroner. This community has demonstrated the same love and compassion towards our family during this time of sorrow, and for that, our family will always be grateful.

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All of our love,
The family of Carl Wells, Sr.

